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TAGS: ENRG

SUBJECT: IEA: EMERGENCY OIL ALLOCATION TEST

1. AS MISSION AWARE THE IEA SECRETARIAT AND THE  
INDUSTRY ADVISORY BOARD (IAB) PLAN TO CONDUCT A TEST  
OF THE IEA EMERGENCY OIL ALLOCATION SYSTEM THIS AUTUMN.  
THE TEST MAY RUN AS LONG AS EIGHT WEEKS IN THE OCTOBER-  
NOVEMBER PERIOD. AS HAS BEEN THE CASE IN OTHER IEA  
ACTIVITIES INVOLVING US COMPANIES, THE ENERGY POLICY  
AND CONSERVATION ACT REQUIRESTHATU.S.EMPLOYEES BE  
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PRESENT TO OBSERVE AND KEEP RECORDS OF THEIR PAR-

TICIPATION IN THE ALLOCATION TEST FOR ANTITRUST PURPOSES. WE TENTATIVELY PLAN TO OBSERVE THE TEST USING TWO MAN TEAMS DRAWN FROM STATE, FEA, JUSTICE AND THE FTC. THESE OFFICIALS WILL PROBABLY ALTERNATE AT THE END OF EACH TWO WEEK CYCLE OF THE TEST. (IT IS LIKELY THAT MORE THAN TWO U.S. OFFICIALS WILL BE PRESENT DURING THE INITIAL TWO WEEK PERIOD AND WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST IN ANY UNUSUAL STARTUP PROBLEMS WITH REGARD TO THE MONITORING FUNCTION.

2. WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE TWO MAN OBSERVER TEAM WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO HANDLE MOST SITUATIONS LIKELY TO ARISE. THERE IS HOWEVER, SOME POSSIBILITY THAT DURING THE TEST, THE INDUSTRY SUPPLY ADVISORY GROUP (ISAG) MAY BE REQUIRED TO BREAK UP INTO MORE SUBGROUPS THAN THERE ARE USG PERSONNEL TO COVER THEM. THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT EXPECT THIS TO OCCUR OFTEN OR FOR EXTENDED PERIODS, BUT WE WISH TO AVOID ADDITIONAL COSTS OF SENDING ADDITIONAL TEST OBSERVERS TO PARIS TO BE USED ONLY DURING SHORT PERIODS OF THE TEST CYCLE. TO AVOID THIS SITUATION, THE MISSION MAY BE REQUESTED FROM TIME TO TIME TO DESIGNATE A USG EMPLOYEE TO OBSERVE PARTICULAR ISAG SUBGROUPS TO COMPLY WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS OF USG PRESENCE AND NOTE-TAKING.

3. THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT A ROOM WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE IEA SECRETARIAT FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF USG OBSERVERS. WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE OBSERVER TEAM WILL NEED TO BE IN COMMUNICATION WITH WASHINGTON AGENCIES BOTH BY CABLE AND TELEPHONE ON A FAIRLY REGULAR BASIS DURING THE TEST.

IF AN EMBASSY TELEPHONE EXTENSION COULD BE INSTALLED IN THE OFFICE PROVIDED BY THE IEA SECRETARIAT.

4. NECESSARY SECRETARIAL SUPPORT WILL BE PROVIDED BY TDY SECRETARY FROM EUR. (ALTHOUGH DURING SOME PHASES OF TEST COMPANIES MAY BE OPERATING ON TWELVE HOUR SCHEDULE, WE BELIEVE ONE PERSON GENERALLY WORKING EIGHT HOUR DAY WILL MEET MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS. ASSISTANCE FROM TIME TO TIME TO

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TIME FROM MISSION AS MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO MEET UNUSUAL PROBLEMS WOULD OF COURSE BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.) KISSINGER

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